



ÉCOLE ROCKY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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January 9, 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

RE: Grade 4 & 5 Ski Trip to Canyon Ski Hill February 25, 2020

This year, ÉRE is able to offer an extra-curricular (optional) ski/snowboarding trip to Canyon Ski Resort near Red Deer for interested students in Grades 4 and 5. To proceed with the trip, we require 30 students signed up by January 28, 2020.

All students who are skiing or snowboarding will be required to take a morning lesson. The program is open to skiers/snowboarders of all levels, including those who have no experience. Supervision of students on this trip will be led by grade 5 teacher Ms. Johnston, along with parent volunteers and the Canyon Ski Resort staff. Students will be travelling by school bus to and from Canyon Ski Hill.

Feb 25 Schedule:	8:00 am	Grade 4/5 students depart École Rocky Elementary
	9:30 am	Arrival at Canyon Ski Resort - safety briefing and equipment rentals
	10:00 a.m. - 2:45 pm	Skiing & Snowboarding at Canyon Ski Resort
	2:45 - 3:15 pm	Last run and return rentals
	3:30 pm	Depart Canyon Ski Resort
	5:00 pm	Arrive at École Rocky Elementary for Parent pick up

The trip cost depends on Ski/Snowboard/ or No Rental:

1. \$66.00 - Lift Pass, Lesson, Ski Rental, Helmet and Bus transportation
2. \$71.00 - Lift Pass, Lesson, Snowboard Rental, Helmet and Bus transportation
3. \$43.00 - Lift Pass, Lesson, and Bus Transportation - (student provides equipment)

Payment can be made using your School Cash Online Account. The option to pay will open on January 30 if the trip has thirty participants. The payment deadline is February 14, 2020.

To participate, the following attached forms need to be returned to the homeroom teacher by January 28.

- Acknowledgement of Risk and Informed Consent
- Parent Volunteer Information & Student Ski/Snowboard Information

Safety Guidelines, Special Equipment, and Supplies

- Students are to be dressed for an Alberta winter (hat/toque, jacket, mitts, boots, etc) for the bus ride to Red Deer. Ski goggles and/or sunglasses will allow for a more enjoyable experience.
- Students are to follow all bus transportation rules and etiquette.
- Students are to follow all Canyon Ski Resort rules.
- Students will wear a helmet at all times while skiing/snowboarding.
- Long hair should be tied back or tucked in. Loose articles such as scarves, or long hats should be removed or tucked in.



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Safety Guidelines, Special Equipment, and Supplies cont.

- Students should not engage in “hot-dogging” or jumping activities.
- Students should be familiar with Alpine Responsibility Code (including lift procedures), slope ratings and the role of the ski Patrol. All students will be grouped appropriately and must participate in a lesson.
- Students will be informed of the ski area boundaries. Students will be taught the importance of skiing/snowboarding in control at all times. It is the students responsibility to only ski in areas identified as appropriate by the qualified ski instructor.
- Students should ski with others, preferably in groups of 3 or 4.
- Students can bring their own lunch and snacks or buy them in the Chalet (meals in the chalet are \$8-\$15).
- Students are to follow all school rules and behavior expectations during the outing.
- Students may not leave the designated area at any time.
- Students are expected to ride the school bus to and from the activity location. The school requires written notice if students are travelling with parents to or from the event.
- Any malicious damage or theft that occurs during your visits to any venue, belongings of others etc. will be assessed by the lead teacher. Students will be held responsible for any such damage/theft etc.
- École Rocky Elementary School cannot take responsibility for lost items. If students choose to bring these items, ÉRE will not be responsible for any lost or stolen items of this nature. Students choosing to bring these items do so at their own risk.
- Students are only permitted to use cell phones and devices at the teacher’s discretion.
- Students are expected to behave in a polite and respectful manner at all times.

Emergency Procedures

- At least one supervisor trained in first aid will be on the trip.
- The Lead Teacher will carry an updated medical list and contact information for all attending students.
- In the event of an accident, the Lead Teacher will be notified.
- A supervisor will remain with the student until the issue is resolved or is passed onto a more experienced medical attention.
- An ambulance will be dispatched if the injury or illness is severe.
- Parents/Guardians will be notified as soon as possible about the incident.

Once again, this is an optional extra-curricular event. Students not involved in this extra-curricular trip will have regular school programming at the school.

If you have any questions about this field trip, please contact me at the school by phone (403) 845-3541 or by e-mail (tim.bowman@wrsd.ca).

Sincerely,

Tim Bowman

Principal



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École Rocky Elementary Ski/Snowboard Trip, February 25, 2020

Acknowledgement of Risk and Informed Consent Form

I, _____ (please print full name) the parent/guardian of _____
(please print student's full name), recognize that my child will participate in the ÉRE Ski/Snowboard Trip on February 25, 2020 as sanctioned by École Rocky Elementary School.

This activity involves certain risks, dangers, and hazards to the participants. These may include but are not limited to, personal injury, death, property damage, expense, and other loss, delay or inconvenience and trip or event cancellation or curtailment.

Specific risks associated with, but not limited to, include:

Inherent Risk

Downhill skiing and snowboarding are activities with physical demands and inherent risks that are beyond the control of the teachers, supervisors, and/or cooperating organizations. Unpredicted incidents may occur which may cause injury or death. By signing the following acknowledgement form, all students and parents must be prepared to assume and accept the risks and dangers of participating in these activities. By signing the following consents, parents/guardians are giving their child permission to participate in this skiing or snowboarding activity.

Possible injury incurred from:

- not following the instructions of the ski instructor or supervisor
- Skiing out of bounds
- Colliding with another skier/boarder
- Traveling by school bus to and from the hill
- Falling while skiing/snowboarding

Transportation for this activity will be by way of School Bus contracted from Prairie Bus Lines.

I also understand that during this activity, authorized by École Rocky Elementary School, supervisory adults, as well as employees of other agencies associated with this activity will endeavor to instruct, protect, and care for the wellbeing of my child as I would in their place, including making decisions regarding the medical care of my child. I understand that my child will be expected to uphold the behavior expectations of students of École Rocky Elementary School as in any other school endeavor as outlined in the Student Code of Conduct. I understand that my child's failure to abide by behavior expectations could result in his/her removal from the activity without refund.



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I have discussed the risks and expectations of this activity with my child and have confidence that my child understands them. I am aware that every parent has the right to deny hi/her child's participation in a school activity and that this activity is not a prerequisite for the completion of any required course of study. As the parent/guardian, I will ensure my child is appropriately prepared and has the necessary equipment.

I am also aware that the Principal reserves the right to postpone or cancel an activity at any time and with little notice if the activity can no longer be conducted in a safe and secure manner. I realize that I may not receive all or any of the money I had thus far invested and accept the loss without expecting reimbursement from the school.

I have read the above statements and understand the nature of the document and its content. I consent to the participation of my child in this activity and associated activities.

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Information - please complete in full

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Name and Phone Number(s) on Feb 25, 2020:

Medical Information: Please write any and all medical conditions (including allergies) your child has:

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École Rocky Elementary Ski/Snowboard Trip, February 25, 2020 Volunteers and Student Information

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent Volunteers - Please consider joining us for this extra-curricular field trip.

YES _____ I will be joining the ski trip and will be either skiing or boarding with my child(ren). I recognize I am responsible for the cost of rental (if required) but my lift ticket will be provided.

YES _____ I will be joining the ski trip but will not ski or snowboard.

YES _____ I have a vehicle and am able to transport equipment to the ski hill.

Student Information:

Note: Lesson & helmet are mandatory

Lesson Level:

	Ski	Snowboard
Never Ever		
Level 1 (beginner)		
Level 2 (intermediate)		
Level 3 (advanced)		

For Rental: Height: _____ Weight: _____

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